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Investigation Into Threat Against Hoover High School

March 14, 2021 – North Canton Police are investigating a threat made against Hoover High School on social media.

The department received a tip shortly after 8:30 PM on Saturday night (March 13) that someone made a comment on an Instagram post indicating that they were going to shoot up the school. Officers worked on the tip into the early hours of the morning and the matter remains under investigation at this time.

School Administration has been made aware of the threat and are taking appropriate safety measures.

Update

March 15, 2021 – North Canton Police with the assistance of the Canton Prosecutor's Office served several court orders for documents resulting in the discovery of a suspect address located in Lake Township.

With the assistance of the Stark County Sheriff's Office and the FBI a search warrant for that location was served and several electronic devises were seized. No firearms were found or stated to have been kept at the residence.

A juvenile suspect was identified. The juvenile is not a current student at North Canton City Schools. The family cooperated with the investigation and the juvenile remains in their custody. The North Canton Police are working with the Juvenile Division of the Stark County Prosecutors Office regarding the filing of charges; Aggravated Menacing 2903.21 – Misdemeanor and Inducing Panic 2917.31 – Felony.

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